

Union Calendar No. 187

95TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4297

[Report No. 95-325, Part I, Part II]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 2, 1977

Mr. LEGGETT (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. FORSYTHE, and Mr. PRITCHARD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries

MAY 16, 1977

Reported with an amendment, and referred to the Committee on Science and Technology for a period ending not later than May 20, 1977, for consideration of such portions of section 2 of the bill as fall within that committee's jurisdiction under rule X, clause 1(r), and ordered to be printed

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MAY 20, 1977

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A BILL

To amend the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 to authorize appropriations to carry out the provisions of such Act for fiscal year 1978.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That section 111 of the Marine Protection, Research, and
4 Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1420) is amended—
5 (1) by striking out “and” immediately after
6 “September 30, 1976),”; and

1 (2) by adding immediately after "fiscal year 1977,"
2 the following: "and not to exceed \$4,800,000 for fiscal
3 year 1978,".

4 SEC. 2. Section 204 of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1444) is
5 amended—

6 (1) by striking out "and" immediately after "Sep-
7 tember 30, 1976),"; and

8 (2) by adding immediately after "fiscal year 1977"
9 the following: ", and not to exceed ~~\$6,000,000~~ \$6,500,000
10 for fiscal year 1978".

11 SEC. 3. Section 304 of such Act (16 U.S.C. 1434) is
12 amended—

13 (1) by striking out "and" immediately after "Sep-
14 tember 30, 1976),";

15 (2) by adding immediately after "fiscal year 1977"
16 the following: ", and not to exceed \$500,000 for fiscal
17 year 1978".

18 SEC. 4. (a) *The Administrator of the Environmental*
19 *Protection Agency (hereinafter referred to in this section as*
20 *the "Administrator") shall end the dumping of sewage sludge*
21 *into ocean waters, or into waters described in section 101(b).*
22 *of Public Law 92-532, as soon as possible after the date of*
23 *enactment of this section, but in no case may the Administra-*
24 *tor issue any permit, or any renewal thereof (under title I*
25 *of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of*

1 1972) which authorizes any such dumping after Decem-
2 ber 31, 1981.

3 (b) For purposes of this section, the term "sewage
4 sludge" means any solid, semisolid, or liquid waste generated
5 by a municipal wastewater treatment plant the ocean dump-
6 ing of which may unreasonably degrade or endanger human
7 health, welfare, amenities, or the marine environment, ecologi-
8 cal systems, or economic potentialities.

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